

HOUSE BILL No. 1313

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 2-5-1.3.

Synopsis: Comptroller general. Establishes the general accountability office (office) as an agency of the general assembly. Provides that the administrative head of the office is the comptroller general appointed jointly by the speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tempore of the senate. Requires the office to: (1) review and audit entities established by law or that receive money derived from appropriations made by the general assembly at the request of a member of the general assembly; (2) evaluate programs established by Indiana law; and (3) review all privatization contracts entered into after December 31, 2004.

Effective: July 1, 2007.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 2-5-1.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2007]:

4 **Chapter 1.3. General Accountability Office**

5 **Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "appointing authority" refers to
6 the speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro
7 tempore of the senate acting jointly.

8 **Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "comptroller general" refers to
9 the head of the office appointed under section 7 of this chapter.

10 **Sec. 3.** As used in this chapter, "office" refers to the general
11 accountability office established by section 6 of this chapter.

12 **Sec. 4.** As used in this chapter, "privatization" refers to the
13 transfer to a private sector person of a program currently
14 provided or performed directly by the employees of a state agency.

15 **Sec. 5.** As used in this chapter, "privatization contract" refers
16 to a contract entered into by a state agency with a private sector
17 person for the privatization of a program. The term does not



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1 include contracting with a private sector person to provide services
2 on a temporary or an emergency basis.

3 Sec. 6. The general accountability office is established as an
4 agency of the general assembly.

5 Sec. 7. (a) The appointing authority shall appoint an individual
6 to be the comptroller general.

7 (b) The individual appointed as comptroller general serves at
8 the pleasure of the appointing authority.

9 (c) The comptroller general is the administrative head of the
10 general accountability office.

11 Sec. 8. The office shall do the following:

12 (1) At the request of a member of the general assembly,
13 review and audit entities:

14 (A) established by law; or

15 (B) that receive money derived from appropriations made
16 by the general assembly.

17 (2) Evaluate programs established by Indiana law as directed
18 by the appointing authority.

19 (3) Review all privatization contracts entered into after
20 December 31, 2004, as directed by the appointing authority.

21 Sec. 9. The office shall publish reports of its audits and
22 evaluations as directed by the appointing authority.

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